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SECURITY INFORMATION

COUNTRY East Germany

REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC KVP at the Weisswasser Troop Training Grounds

25X1X EVALUATION [REDACTED] (except as stated)

PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

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DATE OF CONTENT [REDACTED]

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DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

DATE PREPARED 7 August 1953

REFERENCES

PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

SOURCE [REDACTED]

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1. Between 11 and 15 July 1953, the occupation strength of Camp Nochten, because of new arrivals, increased to a total of about 2,000 KVPs. Informants stated that, on 13 July, 10 tanks occupied by KVP arrived from Cottbus and Spremberg by road. On 14 July, about 400 KVPs on trucks allegedly arrived from the direction of Unst, Hoyerswerda and Bautzen.
2. Beginning 14 July, firing with carbines and submachine guns was practiced in the infantry training area. During the exercises, double sentries armed with submachine guns were posted along the western edge of the area at intervals of 300 meters. The sentries wore greyish-brown coveralls without service color. On 15 July, telephone wires were strung from Camp Nochten to the tank and infantry training areas; and T-34/85 tanks [REDACTED] were seen in the tank training area.

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3. [REDACTED]

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4. On 11 July, a train of 10 boxcars occupied by KVP and an undetermined number of flatcars with sideracks, carrying about 12 canvas-covered AT guns and 18 trucks, passed through Weisswasser, proceeding toward Goerlitz. [REDACTED] stated that this train was forwarded to Poland via Horka and that, on 14 July, a shipment of wounded KVPs arrived in Litzau, coming from Czechoslovakia.

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6. Source learned that KVP personnel stationed at Weisswasser were asked to volunteer for fighting partisans in Poland; there were allegedly no enrollments so far. 2

25X1A 1.  Comment. Training activity of the KVP was performed at a normal level. The occupation of the Weisswasser troop training grounds again increased.

25X1A 2.  Comment. The rumors are doubted. There were similar rumors on the employment of Soviet troops against Polish rebels.

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